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EDITORS MESSAGE

Here it is !! The second issue of Lesbian & Gay Youth Calgary's monthly newsletter. We're calling it MODERN PINK, to reflect that this is meant for today's gay community.

In the past month L.G.Y.C. has been quite busy, an article that appeared in the Calgary Herald created a surge of interest in our group from outside the gay community, and brought several people in touch with new friends they never knew existed. Our thanks to the Herald, and to Terry Gilbert, their writer who did the story, have been expressed in a letter we sent to them, and also in the review which appears in this issue.

We organized a bowling night for our members which was a great success, (after we found each other) and have organized an April Fools party on April 1st for our members and friends. Also in April, we will host speakers to one of our meetings from Celebration 90, to inform our group of the efforts being made to make the third Gay Games a great success. April is also Calgary's coronation month, we have tried to include as much information as possible in our Community Calendar. We will print a review of the Ball in next months magazine.

Last but not least, I would like to thank all the people who helped to make this issue happen. Many thanks go out to our advertisers, for their support of a new project from a relatively new group. Also many thanks to Joey Sayer, and Lisa Lam, for their written contributions.

J. McMullin.

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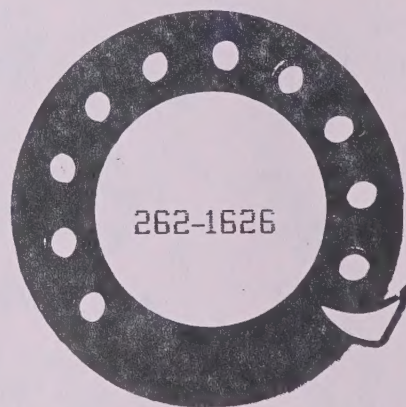
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-- Don't Erase Us --

A REVIEW OF TERRY GILBERT'S ARTICLE, CALGARY HERALD, MARCH 11, 1989

By Joey Sayer

March 11, 1989 will go down as a red letter day for Calgary's estimated 10,000 Lesbian and Gay youth. The Calgary Herald, under the supervision of Terry Gilbert, devoted a full page and a half to the "plight" of local gay youth.

Now let me state at this point that I am not a big fan of these sorts of articles; most often they are of the "pity-the-poor-homosexual-youn-gster-he-or-she-dosen't-have-the-same-opportunity-to-grow-as-do-others-" variety, or, if we're really lucky, we might get an

"everybody-must-be-aware-of-the-problems-faced-by-today's-homosexual-youth-they-must-be-strong-to-stand-up-to-such-strenous-odds-as-they-experien-ce-everyday-in-school-etc-and-so-on".

Right, Thanx a lot. Now don't get me wrong; I'm really not trying to be facetious.

These sorts of articles are important: they open wide for the public some of the realities of growing up gay--an important step in closing an ever predominant cultural and communication gap between gay youth and the rest of civilization. The problem, at least in our point of view, lies in these articles intended audience. Of the many such articles that I have read, none have been aimed at the gay youth themselves; rather they provide a sort of glimpse for outside observers. Nothing has really been written, at least in newspaper format, FOR gay youth. Not so with Terry's article.

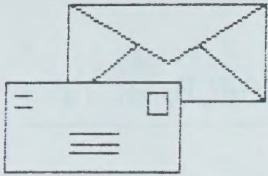
Terry has taken the logical, and really the only practical approach of actually interviewing local lesbian and gay youth, hearing them out, and printing their feelings and concerns. Our group was a major part of this process, with many of our members providing input.

The end result was primarily gay youth stating their cases. Terry Gilbert remained remarkably unbiased in her writing and kept her own comments to a minimum, letting the subject matter speak for themselves--an added bonus. Complimenting the main article were a few additional pieces on homosexuality pertaining to youth--an article on how homosexuality is treated [or virtually ignored] by the Board of Education; one from the States on "hurtful slang", and to top it off a comprehensive listing of lesbian and gay institutions and support groups. In all, a remarkable effort for which we should all be thankful.

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All you do, is send your message (maximum 40 words) along with a cheque or money order (no cash please) for \$3 to the L.G.Y.C. c/o MODERN PINK magazine. If you would like to have replies confidentially forwarded to you by mail, please add \$5 to the amount of your cheque. All replies will be remailed (unopened) to the address you request.

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We will include information on answering an ad in next months MODERN PINK.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Lisa Mun-Wai Lam

I was asked to write about the policies of L.G.Y.C. It seems so formal and bureaucratic, but I'll give it a try.

So here we go....

We all know that being young and gay can be very difficult. Along with confusion over self identity, we are often scared of being found out, and feel very isolated

Lesbian & Gay Youth Calgary formed to provide a social, educational, non-threatening, and supportive environment for young people realizing their alternate sexuality.

We are guided by our philosophy that everyone has the right to choose a way of life that is satisfying to their needs and desires. So what does L.G.Y.C. do to carry out their goals?

Basically, we have these three devices: Weekly social meetings, a phone line operated three times a week, and this newsletter.

The Saturday meeting is meant to provide an opportunity for young people to meet, and to relate to others on a social level. We believe everyone needs to feel connected with a group of their peers. Here, everyone is accepted for who and what they are.

Our weekly meeting runs from seven-thirty to ten p.m. on Saturday evenings, in room 200A of the Old Y Centre, call our phoneline for the exact address.

L.G.Y.C.



The phoneline is operated by volunteers in our group, to provide general information and peer counseling. We answer the phoneline from seven to ten p.m. every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evening. Despite our good intentions, our volunteers are not counselors, and in some situations we may have to refer the caller to a more qualified service.

The Newsletter, "MODERN PINK" serves as a platform for gay youth to bring forth their ideas and opinions. In addition, it is an important networking tool for our group. We hope that through exchanging ideas and information with other groups both in and out of Calgary, that we will help to improve the sense of unity in the gay world.

Alright, enough is enough, I hope you have a better understanding of our group. If you don't, or if you want to know more about us, you can: Drop by one of our meetings; Call the phoneline; or Drop us a line at our office.

UNTIL NEXT MONTH.....

COMMUNITY EVENTS

APRIL ONE

L.G.Y.C. April Fools party. Common Room of the Old Y Centre.

APRIL SEVEN

ISCCA & ISCWR present "Pretty Women" at the Green Room. 10:30pm

APRIL EIGHT

L.G.Y.C. weekly meeting with guests from Celebration 1990.

APRIL FIFTEEN

ISCCA voting day. Ballots for Calgary's new Empress & Emperor can be cast at the Green Room, Noon to Eight pm.

APRIL SEVENTEEN

Emperor's last show. The Green Room 10:30pm

APRIL EIGHTEEN

Empress's last show. The Green Room 10:30pm

APRIL NINETEEN

The Royal Roast The Green Room 10:30pm

APRIL 20

In Town Show The Green Room 10:30pm

APRIL 21

Out of Town Show The Green Room 10:30pm

Lucie Blue Tremblay
IN CONCERT
The Orpheus Theatre
SAIT 7:30pm

APRIL 29

L.G.Y.C. Regular weekly meeting. Room 200A of the Old Y.

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L.G.Y.C. Bowling Nite Two.
Starts at 7:30pm call the phoneline for info

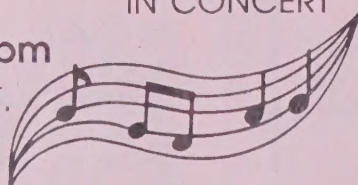
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